

Senate File 275 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to provider requirements for participation in
2 the state child care assistance program.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 237A.13, subsection 2, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. a. Services under the program may be provided in a
4 licensed child care center, a child development home, the home
5 of a relative, the child's own home, a child care home, or in a
6 facility exempt from licensing or registration.

7 b. If services under the program are provided in a location
8 other than the child's own home, the location shall be subject
9 to an on-site health and safety inspection. The inspection
10 shall be performed prior to provision of program services in
11 the location. A location that has successfully completed an
12 on-site child care health and safety inspection authorized by
13 the department as part of child care regulatory requirements
14 shall be deemed to have met the requirements of this paragraph.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill relates to provider requirements for participation
17 in the state child care assistance program established in Code
18 section 237A.13 and administered by the department of human
19 services.

20 Consistent with federal requirements for the program,
21 current law provides that services may be provided in a
22 licensed child care center, a child development home, the home
23 of a relative, the child's own home, a child care home, or in a
24 facility exempt from licensing or registration.

25 The bill requires that if services under the program are
26 provided in a location other than the child's own home, the
27 location is subject to an on-site health and safety inspection.
28 The inspection is required to be performed prior to provision
29 of program services in the location. A location that has
30 successfully completed an on-site child care health and safety
31 inspection authorized by the department as part of child care
32 registration or licensure is deemed to have met the inspection
33 requirement.